## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

IN RE: \$ CASE NO. 24-34844 \$

JUSTIN CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL \$

DEBTOR \$ CHAPTER 7

## JUSTICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION'S RESPONSE TO DEBTOR'S MOTION TO AVOID JUDICIAL LIEN [DOC. 15]

Creditor and party-in- interest JUSTICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION (JFCU) files this Response to Debtor's Motion to Avoid Judicial Lien of Justice Federal Credit Union and would show the Court as follows:

- 1. Debtor, JUSTIN CHRISTOPHER CAMBPELL filed this Chapter 7 case on October 17, 2024. The only real property that Debtor scheduled in his bankruptcy case was homestead property at 4704 Vista Verde Way, Bryan, Texas 77807. [Doc. 1.]
- 2. On November 14, 2024, JFCU filed a Proof of Claim relating to a judgment that was entered on April 3, 2024 in state district court for indebtedness owed on an unsecured loan and credit card. [Claim 2.]
- 3. On December 12, 2024, Debtor filed a Motion to Avoid Judicial Lien of Justice Federal Credit Union seeking to avoid JFCU's judgment lien on the basis that it impairs his exemptions under state law.
- 4. Texas law provides that a judgment lien does not attach to homestead property. *See* Tex. Prop. Code Ann. § 51.0012.

5. A judgment is discharged and any abstract of judgment or judgment lien is canceled and released without further action in any court and may not be enforced is the lien is for real property owned by the debtor before the bankruptcy is filed and the debt evidenced by the judgment is discharged in bankrupty, and the judgment discharged in bankruptcy does not attach to real property acquired by the debtor after the bankruptcy was filed. Tex. Prop. Code Ann. § 52.042.

6. Thus, JFCU's judgment lien does not impair Debtor's exemptions and will be discharged, canceled, and released upon Debtor's discharge in bankruptcy.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on December 13, 2024, I served true and correct copies of the above and foregoing JUSTICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION'S RESPONSE TO DEBTOR'S MOTION TO AVOID JUDICIAL LIEN upon the following parties by the following means:

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